

SPRING TO IT

BRIGHTEN
UP
YOUR OLD
SUITE
WITH BRIGHT
NEW

A black and white illustration of a large, plush sofa with a ruffled skirt and a patterned fabric. To the right of the sofa is a smiling sun with a face, radiating lines, and a few small clouds. The entire scene is set against a background of stylized, radiating lines suggesting a bright, sunny day.

Fabrics bright and fresh as spring itself!

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB
NOTICE TO MEMBERS
FIFTH RACE MEETING
Saturday, 29th April, 1950

Servants' passes will be issued to private box holders only, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

By Order,
B. A. BLEAP,
Secretary.

need, for jerking our semiprob-
bund Government back to 1870
by doing more talking in London
instead of here, and there would
be no need to moan about lack
of support. We are all crying
for Reform of Government, and
getting nowhere.

you may rest assured that by other means will the people Hong Kong, British as well non-British, ever achieve right of an elected executive and the ability to make opinions count in our councils. Unlike your leader, writer, but perhaps very much like some of his colleagues, have seen enough of the present Government to be convinced that criticism, no matter how well intentioned, is neither welcomed nor wanted by "our obedient servants" regardless of whence comes. Time may teach you writer the same lesson.

Dr. Cheng recently conducted the British Council lectures "Chinese Civilization." Before returning to CE last year he travelled extensively in Europe and America lecturing on many interesting subjects.

Special numbers will include vocal and string quartets, and soprano solos, piano violin solos by prominent artists among whom will be the Rev. Blackstone, Richard Ting Orloff, Lily Lee and others. Admission will be free.

Since her marriage, she received offers to appear in films. However, because offer meant separation from husband for three or four years she decided not to accept offers.

Foreigners in Peking are hampered or interfered with by the observers said, however their movements out of the city are rigidly restricted.

Many foreign representatives have come to Peking within the last four months, however, people

has many teach her, the th-

weeks on her tour. She is waiting this part of the work for the first time. She asked what she thinks about Hollywood romances. Mrs. Power said that there one has very little privacy.

Mrs. Power, who is a Mexican citizen, has appeared in three

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— SPECIAL PRICE

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Lines aircraft, almost everyone rushed to the nearest point outside the airport's restricted area "just to take a look at Mr. Tyron Power's wife."

Colvill and H. R. McBlirney.

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 Mr. Chen Shing
 The Municipal Club
 The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp.
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The Russians were all un-
formed and though the informant
could not estimate the number
he believed "there are lots and
lots of them around."

**whereabouts
still a mystery**

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Mr. Chai Kuo Foo
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SALE SILKS — SPECIAL PRICE

The Sun Fo maintenance case:

Concubine says she was assaulted while ex-Premier peeped down staircase

An allegation that Dr. Sun Fo was peeping down a staircase while she was being assaulted by his wife, and three servants were trying to throw her out of the house, was made by Nancy Nyl, complainant, at the resumed hearing of the Sun Fo maintenance case yesterday.

She said the incident occurred in January this year when she and her daughter Lily called at Dr. Sun Fo's house to ask for maintenance for her two children whose paternity Dr. Sun was trying to deny.

The case was heard before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central, and the Court-room was filled with curious spectators.

Complainant, who claimed she is a concubine of Dr. Sun Fo, 14 represented by Mr. Marcus da Silva, while the former Premier of China who was not present in court, was represented by Sir Man-kun Lo.

The whole of the hearing yesterday was occupied with the examination-in-chief of complainant by her counsel.

In answer to Mr. Silva, Nancy Nyl said that in 1930 Dr. Sun Fo reduced her allowance to \$600 a month but he continued to visit her and the baby.

Towards the end of the year a friend, Mrs. Chan Po-chun, visited her with her husband, and she took a number of photographs including shots of Dr. Sun Fo and the baby Lily. She identified the photographs shown her by Mr. Silva.

Sometimes earlier she had heard that Dr. Sun Fo was keeping another woman named Lam Li. She reproached Sun about this in January and February 1937, and there were quarrels, but Sun assured her that she need not worry.

Temporary arrangement

"You are married to me as a permanent wife, while Lam is only a temporary arrangement for pleasure," Sun was alleged to have told her.

However, from then on Sun visited her less and less, and later did not come at all, though he continued to send her \$600 a month for her allowance.

After that a Mr. To Yuet-sung came to her and told her he had been sent by Dr. Sun Fo to pay her \$3,000, "so that you need not have to keep on going to Dr. Sun Fo for money. This lump sum included \$1,000 to repay an advance made to her previously by To Yuet-sung when Dr. Sun reduced the allowance to \$600 a month."

Matters dragged on to the latter part of 1938 when Nancy Nyl instructed a lawyer to institute proceedings in the Shanghai courts, but despite her attempts the case was never heard.

Here Mr. Silva handed into court documents relating to the Shanghai court proceedings.

While waiting for court proceedings complainant received a letter from To Yuet-sung who had gone to Hong Kong. She sent her lawyer to Hong Kong to see him.

Here Mr. Hin-shing Lo intervened with a question on the Shanghai court proceedings, to which complainant replied that the delay in the case was due to Dr. Sun Fo's influence. All negotiations proved of no avail.

In 1939, in response to a request from To Yuet-sung, she came to Hong Kong, with her daughter Lily, and stayed at the Sun Sun Hotel, Kowloon.

Pleaded with child

"Dr. Sun Fo came to see me there on numerous occasions from November 1939 to January 1940," she said, "and during these visits he carried Lily in his arms and seemed to be very pleased. He said that among his children Lily resembled him most."

Nancy Nyl said she spoke to Dr. Sun about the maintenance of his children.

"Don't worry I've spoken to To Yuet-sung and my lawyer, Sun Chock-ay, and they'll pay you alright," he was alleged to have assured her.

Finally, said complainant, To Yuet-sung asked her to sign a document, saying that \$100,000 in silver dollars had been remitted to Shanghai for her. It would be paid to her by the lawyer Sun Chock-ay.

However, she objected to that part of the document, which said that by reason of her illiteracy she lived freely and had given birth to two children, who because they had no father were in fact bastards. There were other objectionable features in the document, and she refused to sign it.

In February 1940 she went back to Shanghai and had to borrow \$500 from To Yuet-sung to pay for her passage.

From then on she had to borrow money to maintain the children. This went on throughout the period of the Pacific War.

After the war ended, she met her younger brother, and he said that Dr. Sun Fo was still in Shanghai. In January 1940 Dr. Sun came to

Shanghai and sent one named Lau to see her. Lau told her that Dr. Sun had agreed to her request and she was asked to go to see a lawyer named Ngai Kwok-fan.

The lawyer offered to pay her 12 gold bars weighing about 120 taels, for her to repay the debts she had incurred in maintaining her children. She was asked to sign two documents, one a receipt for 10 gold bars, and the other a long statement purporting to be a receipt for two gold bars, but in fact it was a statement pertaining to her two children and their parentage.

The statement alleged that the children belonged to one "Sun Yat-ming" that Dr. Sun had out of sympathy and because Sun Yat-ming and himself both bore the same surname, he, Dr. Sun, agreed to maintain the children.

Forced to sign

This was a gross misstatement of fact, she said, but because of her financial circumstances and of her need of money to repay her debts and also to maintain her children, she was forced to sign the documents, she told the court.

"The children do not belong to Sun Yat-ming, I know no such man," she said.

In 1940 the Communists captured Shanghai, and she fled with her children to Taiwan, "because I want to protect these children of the chairman of the Legislative Yuan and former chairman of the Executive Yuan," said Nancy.

She learned last December that Dr. Sun Fo was about to go abroad, and she brought Lily with her to Hong Kong. She arrived on November 29, and phoned Dr. Sun Fo, who was said to have told her:

"I cannot go back to China. I do not want to go to Taiwan; and I cannot afford to go to America to propose to stay in Hong Kong permanently."

Nancy reminded him of his responsibility for supporting the children, since she no longer had any money to do this herself. Dr. Sun promised to come to see her, and was given his address.

At about 8 p.m. the same day a man named Chan Pak-chung got in touch with complainant and made an appointment for a meeting at 238, Prince Edward Road, the next day.

She kept the appointment and brought Lily along with her, but Dr. Sun Fo was not there. She saw Lam Li and Chan. At this meeting she repeated her demand that Dr. Sun Fo should assume his responsibility of maintaining his children.

Further meetings

Several further meetings with Chan followed, and on Chan's suggestion she found a house at Ma Tauwei Road, for which \$2,000 key money and rental of \$200 a month were asked. Chan told her to put this down in the form of a letter to Dr. Sun Fo which she did.

Later Chan told her he had seen Dr. Sun Fo who said he would satisfy the children for three or four months. Chan said he had had a letter from Dr. Sun Fo who said he would satisfy the children for three or four months.

"Did he say what would happen after the three or four months' education?" asked Mr. Silva.

Nancy replied it did not, and she took it that Dr. Sun would cease supporting them after that time.

"I asked Chan what he meant when he assured me that Dr. Sun would see to it that the children would be educated until they were through University," she continued.

And Chan, who did Chan say, I asked Mr. Silva.

"That's not my business. Go and ask your husband," Chan was said to have replied angrily.

Nancy said she would not take this for an answer, and so on January 19 she went with Lily and two female friends who could speak Cantonese to Dr. Sun Fo's house.

She was met by Dr. Sun Fo's mother. It was the first time they had met, and the old lady received her quite politely. "Oh, I know all about you, from the letters you sent to my son,"

she said.

Reviled by wife

This pleasant reception was, however, short-lived. Madame Sun Fo, the wife, stepped in and she reviled her.

"Shame on you, bringing your children here to beg for money," Madame Sun was alleged to have said.

"And what did you do for me?" she asked.

"I brought you here to see your son," she said.

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Regulations on sale of fish

Regulations governing the sale of fish in the Colony were published in yesterday's "Government Gazette."

The Director of Fisheries has been given complete control of marine fish and authority to establish wholesale fish markets.

He may also designate fish ponds for the collection of marine fish. Permits from the Director are required for landing of fish and for export.

Permits are also required for selling marine fish, wholesale or retail.

In the same position, said complainant.

Here Sir Man-kun Lo intervened and said it was hardly necessary to go into all these details which had no foundation. However, Mr. Silva said it was all relevant as it would lead up to the final appearance.

Continuing, Mr. Silva asked Nancy what happened after she spoke in this strain to Madame Sun Fo.

"She jumped up from her seat and ordered the servants to throw me out," she replied.

"Were they men or women?" "Two men and a woman laid hands on me,"

"What did you do?" "I told them I was in Dr. Sun Fo's house, and I would not leave unless Dr. Sun himself ordered me out."

And what happened after that?" "I fell to the ground,"

"And did you see anything, while you were on the ground?"

Peeping down

"Yes, as I was on the ground my eyes caught Dr. Sun Fo on the staircase, peeping down."

"And what did his wife do?" "She kicked me on the head and set three dogs on my daughter Lily."

Complainant said one of her friends and Lily went to the Police Station and brought back a Chinese inspector and two constables.

The inspector spoke to Dr. Sun and his wife behind a grill door for about 45 minutes, and when he came out he ordered her and Lily to hospital for a medical examination.

Mr. Silva asked complainant what she understood from this incident, to which she replied she had the conviction that Dr. Sun Fo did not want to maintain and educate her children, or else he would have intervened instead of peeping down from the staircase.

After the assault she hid in a room and tried to get away, but further attempts to see Dr. Sun Fo were made by Mr. Silva if she would consign her children to the custody of Dr. Sun Fo, she replied in the negative.

"Why?" asked Mr. Silva.

"Because I don't trust him. If he had a conscience he would not have denied paternity of his children, and his wife would assuredly ill-treat them," she replied.

In answer to Mr. Silva she replied she was now living with a relative. Her elder daughter was with her, but Lily was with a school-mate of hers living in Ma Tauwei Road. Her relative's place was too small, and they had to live separately.

And what are your present financial circumstances?" asked Mr. Silva, to which she replied she was poor, because she was not receiving any money from the children's father.

This concluded Mr. Silva's examination-in-chief, and the case was adjourned to May 2, at 2.30 p.m., when Sir Man-kun Lo, for Dr. Sun Fo, will commence his cross-examination of complainant.

FORTHCOMING WEDDINGS

The following have announced their forthcoming weddings:

Luiz Antonio da Silva, bank clerk, of 15 Salisbury Avenue, and Miss Margaret Julia Medina, salesgirl, of 21 Bowrington Canal.

Edie Doudy Manning, engineer, of Room 704 Sunning House, and Miss Elizabeth Cheng, of Room 703 Sunning House.

Corporal Arthur Isaac Bowker, of the 1st Battalion, and Miss Margaret, of the 1st Battalion.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sanyoung, of the 1st Battalion.

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APL executive and wife



Mr. John M. Diggs, Vice-President of the American President Lines Passenger Traffic, is arriving today from Manila to make an "on the spot" survey of resort and tourist conditions in the Far East. Mrs. Diggs arrived here, by the ss. President Cleveland on Thursday. During his Orient tour, the American shipping executive will also investigate means of promoting inter-travel in the Far East and travel from the Orient to America, either via the Pacific or via the Suez Canal and Mediterranean. Before joining the APL set-up, Mr. Diggs was General Passenger Agent of the Cunard White Star Line. During the war he served with the British Ministry of War Transport in New York. Photo shows Mr. and Mrs. Diggs.

Sequel to bus fracas; European cautioned

Remarking that defendant had no right to take the law into his own hands, Mr. J. Reynolds at Central yesterday found Ronald Austin Gibbons guilty of a technical offence of common assault. Defendant was cautioned. Defendant was originally charged with assaulting Tang Hung-tak on April 3, causing actual bodily harm.

New rules for learner drivers

Additional traffic regulations governing vehicle learner driver licences were published yesterday's "Government Gazette."

The regulations compel a learner driver under five feet four inches, to drive only a particular vehicle modified to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Police.

A learner driver's licence has been fixed at HK\$5, valid for six months.

Where any applicant for a learner's licence to drive a vehicle other than a motor cycle or private car is less than five feet four inches in height the licence may be issued subject to the condition that the holder may drive only a particular vehicle modified to the satisfaction of the Commissioner of Police.

Other person as the Commissioner of Police shall decide for that purpose.

No learner driver's licence shall be issued to a person for the driving of a public car, taxicab or commercial vehicle unless such person has attained the age of 21 years, holds a licence to drive a private car, and has had at least one year's experience as a motor car driver.

No learner driver's licence shall be issued to a person for the driving of a motor vehicle unless such person holds a licence to drive a motor vehicle other than a motor cycle and has had at least three years' experience as the driver of a motor vehicle other than a motor cycle.

Price-control list amended

Additional amendments to the List of price-controlled foodstuffs were published in yesterday's "Government Gazette." Details are:

Meat—Canned, Ox Tongues, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Beef, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Mutton, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Pork, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Chicken, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Fish, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Eggs, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Butter, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Oil, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Sugar, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Tea, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Coffee, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Spices, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Herbs, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Fruits, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Vegetables, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Nuts, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Seeds, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Grains, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Legumes, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Cereals, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Flours, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Starches, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Sweeteners, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Acidulants, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Preservatives, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Colorants, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Flavorings, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Emulsifiers, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Stabilizers, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Thickening agents, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; Binding agents, 12.00 per 20 oz. tin; 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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that an Ordinary General
Meeting of Shareholders will
be held at No. 27, Chung Shan
Road, E.I., Shanghai, on Mon-
day, 22nd May, 1950 at 4 p.m.,
for the following purposes:—

To receive and con-
sider the Directors' Report
and Statement of Accounts
for the year ended 31st
December, 1949, to elect
Directors and Auditors
and to transact any other
ordinary business of the
Company.

Proxies in order to be valid
must be deposited not less
than forty-eight hours before
the time for holding the Meet-
ing.

The Transfer Books and
Share Register will be closed
from 2nd May, 1950, to 22nd
May, 1950, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board
of Directors,

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General Agents.

Hong Kong, April 15, 1950.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the Forty-Ninth Annual
General Meeting of the Share-
holders will be held in the
Jacobson Room of the Hong-
kong Hotel, Pedder Street,
Hongkong, on Saturday, the
15th April, 1950, at Noon, for
the following purposes, namely,
to consider the annual state-
ment of accounts and the
balance sheet, and the reports
of the Directors and Auditors
thereon, to elect Directors and
Auditors in the place of those
retiring, to declare a dividend
and bonus, to appropriate the
balance of Profit and Loss Ac-
count as recommended by the
Directors, and to transact any
other ordinary business of the
Company.

AND NOTICE is also given
that the Share Transfer Regis-
ters will be closed from 4th
April, 1950, to 15th April,
1950, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
R. A. WICKERSON
Managing Director.

Hongkong, March 30, 1950.

NOTICE

Tenders are invited for the
cleaning of windows at various
military establishments in Hong
Kong and Kowloon.

Forms of tender are obtain-
able from Officer i/c Barracks,
R.A.S.C., T Block, Whitfield
Barracks, Kowloon.

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Hong Kong, April 14, 1950.

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Former Nationalist railway man sentenced for possessing arms

A former Nationalist Hankow-Canton Railway Bureau official was sentenced to two years imprisonment by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday. Defendant was found guilty of a charge of possession of arms and ammunition without permit. Detective-Sub-Inspector Howlett prosecuted.

Defendant, Ka Shu-man, aged 35, was arrested on February 5, in Taiipo when he was stated to have been in physical control of seven re-
volvers and 121 rounds of ammunition.

A Chinese detective arrested Ka after having posed as a prospective buyer of the guns from defendant. The detective, Luk Kwan, told the court yesterday that from information received by the police, he was despatched to meet Ka.

After much talking, witness said, he agreed to pay Ka \$300 for each gun and some money was exchanged before the detec-
tive collected the gun at an ad-
dress in Taiipo Village. When the
guns were handed to him by de-
fendant, witness continued, he in
turn drew his own revolver and
disclosed his identity whereupon
an assisting Chinese policeman
came on the scene and Ka was
arrested.

In his defence, Ka denied that he had possession of the guns and
denied also that it was he who
handed the revolvers and am-
munition hidden among vege-
tables in a rattan basket, to the
detective posing as a buyer.

Ka contended that the guns
were handed to the policeman by
a man called Lu who had run
away.

Charged with defendant
originally were five men, all of
whom belonged to the Hankow-
Canton Railway Bureau. They
were subsequently discharged
when the police offered no
evidence.

One of them, prior to his dis-
charge, made a written statement
which was read out in court yester-
day. The statement said that the
five men had retreated into
Hong Kong from Canton in
October last year ahead of the
Communists and had brought
with them seven guns, and 121
rounds of ammunition. The arms
were hidden and it was the in-
tention of the men to have them
brought to Hainan.

Three sets of regulations
governing trade with Japan
were made by the Govern-
ment-Council yesterday.

Trade with persons in Japan
has been previously permitted to
a limited extent only.

One of the three sets of new
regulations authorising now or in
future persons arising now or in
future from a shareholding in
Japan, it also permits the transfer
of securities to individuals or
bodies of persons in Japan.
It revoked certain earlier
orders which authorised limited
trade.

The second set of regulations
amends the Trading with the
Enemy (Custodian) Order so that
its provisions cease to apply to
money remitted to persons in
Japan.

The order sanctions transfers
and assignments of choses in
action, negotiable instruments
and certain securities transfer-
able by delivery which may be
made to such persons on or after
the date of the new order.

The third set of regulations re-
moves the control of the Govern-
ment and the Custodian over
money and property accruing in
consequence of trade with persons in
Japan and over money and prop-
erty which became subject to
the control of the Governor and
the Custodian solely because
persons in Japan became resident
or began to carry on business
there on or after August 15, 1947.

Applications are invited
from experienced Dental Tech-
nicians for a vacancy in the
Medical Department. The sa-
lary scale of the post is \$200
a month for the first two years,
then rising by eight annual
increments to \$350 a month;
plus a temporary and variable
plus of living allowance, which
at present for a married man
with children amounts to \$210
a month at the minimum and
\$367.50 at the maximum of
the scale; married officers
without children are eligible
for 80% of these rates and
bachelors 60%.

Applications giving age and
experience should reach the
Secretary, Medical Depart-
ment, Hong Kong and Shang-
hai Bank Building, Hong Kong,
by the 25th April, 1950.

I. NEWTON,
Director
of Medical Services.

April 14, 1950.

OIL refinery in Coryton

Proposed construction of a
complete oil refinery, specialising
in high grade lubricating
oils, in Coryton, England, was
announced recently in London
by the Vacuum Oil Company,
Ltd., a subsidiary of Socony-
Vacuum Oil Company, Inc.

The refinery will have a
capacity of approximately 20,000
barrels a day and will cost about
\$20,000,000.

It was also announced that
the refinery operations, as well
as Vacuum's present marketing
facilities in the United Kingdom,
will be merged with the oil
storage, blending and packing
business conducted at Coryton by
Cory Bros. & Co. Ltd., wholly
owned subsidiary of Powell
Duffryn Ltd.

Vacuum is a processor and
distributor of lubricants and
refined petroleum products and
the combined business will be
carried on by it.

Socony-Vacuum and Powell
Duffryn each will have an equal
interest in the company with the
board of directors being increased
as well as the share of stock.

The new refinery plans for
which have been under discus-
sion for several months, will
treat Middle East crude oil pri-
marily, and the resulting prod-
ucts will replace those at pre-
sent imported from the United
States. The refinery is expected to go on
stream in about 30 months.

Before the nationalisation of
the coal industry in England,
Powell Duffryn was the largest
coal mining concern in the United
Kingdom. It also has other trad-
ing activities and has a net-
work of shipping companies and
dock facilities, as well as a
large number of other interests.

N. B. M. WHITLEY
Secretary,
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April 12, 1950.

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6-2 SUIT EXCELS 4-3
IF YOUR side has exactly
seven cards in each of two suits
neither is too safe to use for
trumps. But the danger to your
side's contract is greater if you
select the suit with four cards
opposite three than if you choose
the suit with five cards opposite two.
The reason is simple. If the de-
clarer is obliged to ruff with a
four-card holding, he can take
only three rounds of trumps, not
enough to dispose of a probable
four-card length in a defender's
hand. But if he ruffs with a five-
card suit, he still retains four
trumps as an offset to equal hos-
tile length.

S 8 7
H J 2
D 8 6 2
C K Q 9 3 2

S 6 4
H 8 6 5 3
D A K 7 4
C A 10 8

S A K Q J
H K Q 7 4
D Q 5
C 8 4

(Dealer: vulnerable).

West	North	East	South
1. Pass	Pass	Pass	1 H
Pass	1 NT	Pass	2 S
Pass	3 C	Pass	3 H
Pass	4 H	Pass	4 H

At all of these tables, a reverse
rebid as the 2-Spades in the
immediately higher-ranking suit
indicated a quite strong hand. So
in each case North felt under
compulsion to bid again. Note
how different were the choices.
At Table 1, North raised the
spades because he had one more
card in the suit than in hearts.
That proved very bad, as South
had to reduce himself to three
trumps when he ruffed the third
diamond and hoped for a 3-3 trump
split of the defenders. That fall-
ed to develop, so he lost two more
tricks and was set.

At Table 2, North realised
South's bidding showed only four
spades and more hearts. The
side having seven cards of either
suit was better off with a 3-2
split, as he preferred hearts. At
Table 3, North noted inadequate
trumps in either suit, showed club
stops for No Trumps, hoping
South stopped diamonds. That
landed the side safely in a heart
game too.

Your Week-End Question
Are you familiar with the new
method of hand valuation where-
by the 4-3-2-1 count for years
used only in measuring No Trump
bids, has now been extended to
appraising hands at suit contracts?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Across

1 Nasty quar-
rel.
5 Civic dis-
tinction.
8 Kind of
broom.
9 Hung
around.
10 Attend the
sick.
11 Truck
12 Egg

shaped.
13 Concise.
16 Distant.
18 He's a front.
20 Fear.
22 Knob.
23 Symbols.
25 Allowance.
26 Sewell.
27 Penetrate.
28 Cure.
29 Rhinoceros

Down

1 Went after.
2 Friendly.
3 Asleep.
4 Closely
packed.
6 Warship.
7 Fertile area.
14 Restore to
good condi-
tion.
15 Having be-
ing.
16 Glowing
festival.
17 Wind about.
21 Line of
march.
24 Ancestor.
25 Cadets.
26 Gain.
27 Theme.
28 Deadly.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS—1 Banana; 5 Pools;
6 Idea; 9 Chalde; 11 Scull; 12
Lovers; 14 Mute; 15 Stray;
16 End; 18 Mean; 19 Census;
20 Bird; 21 Part; 23 Absurd; 24 Ro-

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LEE ALSO LATEST GAUMONT BRITISH NEWS "THE GRAND NATIONAL"

MORNING SHOW TOMORROW at the LEE "CAPTAIN CHINA" AT 11.30 A.M.

at the LIBERTY COLOUR CARTOONS PROGRAMME AT 12.30 P.M.

PIBUL KEY FIGURE IN ANTI-COMMUNIST POLICY OF BANGKOK

Bangkok, April 14.

By his decision to direct his Government to recognise the newly-independent non-Communist regimes of Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos, Marshal Luang Pibul Songkram, the Thai Prime Minister, has committed Thailand to supporting Western-sponsored diplomacy in opposition to Communist expansion in Asia.

His decision, which caused some direct Cabinet opposition and a measure of public doubt in Thailand, has focussed Western attention on the Marshal's future prospects as a Government leader.

Within the framework of Thailand's constitutional democracy, the Prime Minister is regarded as having more than ever become the key person in a highly personalised political machine.

His final declaration of positive anti-Communism as the basis of Thailand's foreign policy appears inevitably to have linked the chances of survival of that policy with the Marshal's personal prospects in office.

Leaders of Western diplomatic missions in Bangkok seem agreed that Marshal Pibul's initiation of a pro-Western approach to the external Communist problem has involved three important departures from Thailand's previous position in Asian affairs.

1.—He has committed Thailand to a positive foreign policy which is in itself a reversal of the nation's traditional instinct towards neutrality in all regional crises short of war.

2.—He has placed Thailand's chances of survival as an independent nation largely under the protective cover of future Western political and military moves designed to retard and contain Asian Communist expansion.

3.—He has told the Thai people that survival through following a diplomatic middle way between Communist and Western democratic ideologies is impracticable.

policy has gained unqualified Western diplomatic approval which could be reasonably expected to win British and American military aid for Thailand if her alignment with Western anti-Communist forces involved the nation in war.

Adverse influences

As against those factors in his favour, there appear to be the following influences capable of hindering the future development of Marshal Pibul's pro-Western diplomacy.

1.—The Prime Minister's own political development to the point of being a positivist in foreign policy has been gradual, and obviously attended by hesitancy and misgivings, as recently as last January. It seems likely that the rate of his conversion to positivism has outstripped that of many of his followers.

2.—In directing the Government's recognition of the non-Communist regimes in Indo-China, the Prime Minister broke with Thailand's long-standing tradition of neutrality in Asian affairs. His direction involved overruling Foreign Office counsel, including the then Foreign Minister, his stand has thus placed him in advance of one vocal bloc of political opinion.

3.—Being the most prominent personality in his personalised political machine, he stands vulnerable to a latent mass of opposition should the possible failure of the new Indo-China regimes to survive place him in the position of being regarded by his people as the instigator of a political misadventure.

4.—The tenuous hold of constitutional democracy in Thailand leaves the Prime Minister's military-supported party exposed to just that kind of coup d'etat which installed it in power in November, 1947.

Pibul's career

The personality upon whose future domestic success, the success of Thailand's new foreign policy so much depends, is the most important individual influence in the nation's affairs today.

Marshal Pibul is a short, smiling, quietly-spoken person aged 52. He has an unfrustrated temperament, nervous hands and unquestioned social charm.

He tends to believe his own history as first an anti-monarchist revolutionary in the early thirties and then a supporter of Japanese-inspired pan-Asianism.

After his wartime political eclipse and brief post-war imprisonment at the hands of pro-Allied forces in Thailand, the Marshal staged a revival sponsored by a military coup d'etat party.

His political opponents of Marshal Pibul see his history rather than in his personality a target for opposition.

His history tends to confirm their argument that he has, by his final absolute alignment with the pro-Western group of powers, returned to the starting point of a circular adventure in foreign politics.

Thai view

Opponents emphasise that the Premier, who began as a positivist in pan-Asianism of the Japanese expansionist model, experienced the condemnation of the Thai people before he had the opportunity to return to power and develop what has now become his second positive policy: pro-Western and anti-Communist diplomacy in Asia.

In addition to the Opposition, a considerable section of comparatively neutral Thai opinion make reservations regarding the new policy owing to their suspicion of the essential positivism in it.

Those who support this view argue that, while to Western observers the fact of once having been pro-Japanese would tend to reduce a personality in public favour in Thailand, the fact of once previously having pronounced an ill-fated policy of positivism tends to be a matter of more importance to many politically-minded Thais.

One Thai Royalist of comparatively neutral opinion summed up the problem in these words:

"The Marshal once trundled the Kingdom on to the Japanese band-wagon. That collapsed and with it the Marshal. Much of the ensuing public acorn was based on the people's distrust of a leader who had staked everything on one cause—and lost everything on it."

"Now, nine years later, the Marshal has signed up the nation with a group of Asiatic territories which may sink or swim according to whether or not British and American armed backing can stop the Communist advances in Indo-China."

"It is not the nature of the band-wagon, but the idea of being on any band-wagon, which makes the people of Thailand think twice about all foreign policy."

The success of Marshal Pibul's new policy thus seems likely to depend largely on how wholeheartedly he can enlist the most important political elements of his country on the side of Western diplomacy, thereby wearing them from the instinct of neutrality.—Reuter.

RUSSIANS DELAY BERLIN TRAINS

Berlin, April 13. United States officials report that two U.S. military trains—one going from Berlin to Frankfurt, the other coming the other way—were delayed by the Russians during the night.

The Westbound train from Berlin to Frankfurt was held up for about 30 minutes on Wednesday night at the Russian barrier at Marienborn on the Soviet zonal border. Russian guards objected to a Polish traveller.

The Eastbound Frankfurt-Berlin train was held up for three hours in the early morning at Marienborn when the Russians were said to have objected to the presence and papers of a Swiss national aboard. The train arrived at Berlin at 9.00 a.m. after finally getting clearance.—United Press.

Young people who couldn't care less

Sheffield, April 13. A group of Bermuda youth leaders visiting Britain declared today that young people in Sheffield and Bermuda are strikingly similar—both have the "couldn't care less" attitude.

J. G. Nichols, leader of the Bermuda youth group which left here today by air for Washington, said: "The big problem in Sheffield is the same as in Bermuda—how to inspire young people to do something for others."—United Press.

TEXAS CITY DISASTER ECHO

Houston, Texas, April 13. The United States Government faces possible law-suit damages of \$200,000,000 following a Federal judge's ruling here today that it was at fault in the 1947 Texas City disaster which took 512 lives.

Mr. T. M. Kennerly, the Judge, ruled that 8,485 parties which had sued for this sum in damages are entitled to judgment as a result of the waterfront explosions which almost wrecked Texas City three years ago. Some 3,000 people were injured.

In Washington, the Assistant Attorney-General, Mr. H. Graham Morrison, said that the Government will appeal against the decision immediately.

The litigation involves the largest damages claim ever brought against the Government.

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BRITAIN AND MAO'S REGIME

EARLY ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS SAID UNLIKELY PEKING'S CONDITIONS

London, April 13. Prospects for an early establishment of friendly British relations with Communist China faded today when British officials reported that Peking is pressing conditions outside the field of normal diplomatic procedure. The officials said that since January 9, when Peking's Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai, invited Britain to send a representative to Peking, there has been no progress in the establishment of diplomatic relations. The British Charge d'Affaires, J. C. Hutchison has had two meetings with officials of the Peking Foreign Office but has not yet been received by Chou En-lai or Mao Tse-tung.

Informed quarters here said the Peking Government is making things tough for Britain by demanding assurances of British support in the United Nations and in Peking's claims to Taiwan before diplomatic relations can be established.

It is also understood that the Communists are insisting that Britain should hand over any Chinese Nationalist assets remaining within the British Commonwealth and Empire.

The Communists are also questioning Britain's right to maintain a consulate in Taiwan.

Official sources said Mr. Hutchison had delivered a British reply to these Chinese Communist preconditions on March 17. Since then, there has been no further contact with the Peking Foreign Office other than a notification by the Communists of their intention to occupy the British Legation's military compound on April 11.

It is understood that Peking was told that Britain will be prepared to vote for Peking's seat on the Security Council if this is in accordance with the majority of the votes.

KMT property

On the question of Chinese Nationalist assets, the British Government said that property which actually belonged to the Nationalist government has been impounded by the British Foreign Office pending the establishment of relations with Peking when such property would automatically be handed over.

In some cases, the British Government said, the disposal of Chinese Nationalist property would be a matter to be decided by courts of law at which both Communists and Nationalists could be represented.

Regarding the maintenance of the British Consulate at Tamsui, Taiwan, the British said this does

TRADE BARRIERS MUST VANISH

New York, April 13. The "Herald-Tribune" in an editorial today said that a realignment of trade patterns in Asia is needed to cope with the new Communist position there.

"It is obviously to our interest," the editorial said, "to encourage wherever possible a smoother flow of commerce between non-Communist countries in the Pacific area, thus reducing dependence on the Communist bloc."

"Unless Japan gains free access to the markets and sources of supply in non-Communist Asia, it must be expected that she will gravitate increasingly toward China, Japan's commercial hopes are pinned to improved economic ties with South East Asia."

The "Herald-Tribune" expressed hope that the meeting of American economic envoys in Tokyo on April 17 will lead to the breaking out of the many petty, artificial and often senseless barriers obstructing the smooth flow of trade between non-Communist countries. Associated Press.

UK TAKES MORE FROM EUROPE

London, April 13. A big increase in Britain's imports from the European Marshall countries—especially food from Denmark—was a striking feature of Britain's balance of payments for 1949, published today. Another notable aspect of the Government report was the large surplus of soft currencies that Britain had available in such countries as Australia and South Africa. The deficit with the dollar area fell slightly from £240,000,000 in 1948 to £215,000,000 in 1949. Against this, the surplus with the sterling area rose from £190,000,000 to £210,000,000. Reuter.

not constitute any form of diplomatic relationship with the Chinese Nationalists. The Consulate is being maintained in accordance with the diplomatic procedure for representation and protection of British nationals in Taiwan.

The status of Taiwan has yet to be decided by the Far Eastern Commission as part of an eventual Japanese peace settlement and, in London, opinion from a technical viewpoint Taiwan cannot yet be regarded as Chinese territory.

The most recent reports from Peking indicated that the Communists are suspicious of Britain's underlying intentions in recognising Peking.

"Naked truth"

The Peking Foreign Office authorities dealing with the British Charge d'Affaires were said to have been instructed to conduct negotiations with unabated vigilance.

It is understood that Mr. Hutchison was told during his

first visit to the Peking Foreign Office on March 4, "The naked truth is that Britain's recognition is based mainly on strategic grounds and not out of friendship."

Recognition of Communist China by Canada is a question the Government has shelved for a few weeks, a senior External Affairs Department source said in Ottawa today.

The source said the decision was postponed before the Easter recess of the Parliament.

In the meantime, the External Affairs Department decided to send Ambassador T. C. Davis, formerly stationed in China, to another post which has not yet been decided.

The source said, "We believe that the Russians are anxious to seal off their satellite countries, certainly in Europe and probably in Asia as well, from Western countries. For that reason they are not anxious to have their own regime in China recognised." United Press.

TREASON TRIAL ENDS IN PRAGUE

Prague, April 13. Blonde Dagmar Kacerovska, 23-year-old Czech employee of the United States Information Service here, was sentenced today to 15 years' hard labour for high treason.

Another Czech employee of the Information Service, 28-year-old Lubomir Elsnar, who changed his plea of not guilty to "partly guilty" during the trial, got 18 years as an "enemy of the Republic."

Elsnar pleaded not guilty when the trial opened this morning but later said: "I do feel guilty because I participated in the publication of illegal news bulletins published by the Embassy Press Department."

The court found both defendants guilty of publicly inciting against the regime, insulting the State, and of espionage. It found they had supplied a foreign power with important State secrets and had failed to inform the authorities about anti-State activities of which they were aware.

Both were found guilty of having insulted an allied State (Russia). Each defendant was fined 10,000 crowns and deprived of citizenship rights for 10 years.

After consulting her counsel, Kacerovska said she accepted the sentence and would not appeal. Elsnar said he would consider appealing.

The Prosecutor has summed up by saying the trial showed that the work of the Information Service was to attack and insult the Czech nation's institutions and its Government.

"Warmongering"

It had issued bulletins falsifying news and had distributed material it was not possible to control or confiscate. He said: "Mr. Kolarik (the head of the American Press Department) wishes to bring capitalism back to Czechoslovakia by any means, even war."

The defendants were an instrument of the policy of the United States who served the enemies of the Republic.

The defence lawyers appealed for leniency, calling their clients "mere instruments."

Speeches by Anglo-American statesmen were quoted as "warmongering" material "issued by the United States Information Service in Prague."

The Prosecutor read from one bulletin which reported Mr. Hooton, McNell, then Britain's United Nations delegate, saying: "Let Mr. Vyshinsky (the Soviet Foreign Minister) go back to the Soviet Union and tell the Politbureau that, never again against the Nazis was there such a coalition of people as there is today against the Soviet Union."

Higher Person

Elsnar's Counsel said: "It was a higher person who used these two Czech citizens to do the dirty

Russia making 40 atom bombs a month?

Rochester, New York, April 13.

Dr. W. W. Lyon Goddard, of Lehigh University, believes that Russia has been making 40 atom bombs a month at three plants in Siberia, Central Mongolia and Turkestan.

Dr. Goddard gave no source for his belief when he addressed the Rochester Association of Credit men last night.

Dr. Goddard, head of the Department of International Relations at Lehigh University, said: "I know this, and a lot of other people know it. Our Government has been misleading us in withholding this information from the American people."—Reuter.

TARIFF CUTTING TALKS

Washington, April 13.

The United States gave notice today that it will try to lower American tariffs on about 2,500 items as part of its campaign to help other countries earn more dollars.

The State Department announced that a United States delegation will be empowered to negotiate with 17 foreign countries for reduced rates at a 40-nation trade conference to be held at Torquay, England, on September 28. In return, the U.S. will ask these 17 foreign governments to reduce their tariff duties on American goods.

The Torquay conference will be the third and biggest international tariff cutting meeting held in the past three years. The 40 nations attending account for more than four-fifths of the world's trade. Russia and its satellites are not expected to attend.

For the first time since the war ended, Western Germany, Austria and South Korea will be represented. Japan, however, will be barred even though the United States tried to get it invited.

State Department officials said the United States would virtually alone in pushing Japan's application. Most countries objected, they said, because they fear Japanese competition and are uncertain about Japan's future economic policies. —Associated Press.

PRINCESS WEDS AN AMERICAN

Rome, April 13.

Princess Fatemeh Pahlavi, beautiful 21-year-old sister of the Shah of Persia, tonight married an American student in the municipal office of the little Roman seaport of Civitavecchia.

The bridegroom was 25-year-old Vincent Lee Hillier, born in Augusta, Kansas, and now living in Los Angeles, California.

His parents, Dr. Leroy Hillier and Mrs. Ruth Mary Poynter Hillier, were the only witnesses of the wedding, conducted in a few minutes by the local Municipal Commissioner (in his dingy office).

At the end of the ceremony the Commissioner gave the Princess a bunch of white tulips and the fountain pen with which the marriage lines had been written.

Princess Fatemeh, tall and dark, wore a white brocade dress, with a string of white carnations for a necklace. At her waist was pinned a large jewel.

The bridegroom, tall and fair, wore a dark blue suit. Despite the great secrecy of the wedding, a crowd of several hundred people gathered at the door of the municipality and cheered the couple as they came out.

They drove to a local hotel, changed and drove away on a secret honeymoon. —Reuter.

The Western Press was represented by the correspondents of the "New York Times," the "United Press," Agence France Presse, Reuters and Belga.—Reuter.

World situation improved since 1946-Mr. Truman

Washington, April 13. President Truman said, at his Press conference today that the international situation had gradually improved since 1946. At his weekly Press conference the President reviewed the five years since he succeeded President Roosevelt in April, 1945.

In the international field the year 1946 was the worst he could ever remember—worse than anything except a shooting war.

But shortly thereafter, America had instituted the programme of aid to Greece and Turkey and in June, 1947, the Marshall Plan for European Economic Recovery.

Since then there had been a gradual improvement and the worldwide international situation is better than in 1946.

In the domestic field, the President painted a glowing picture of present-day prosperity in the United States. He said that more people are at work in the United States than in any country in the world. There is the most prosperous business activity in America's history and America is in a better financial condition than ever before.

Nothing wrong

He said there is no serious thing the matter with the country as a whole.

The first post-war years had been easier on the United States than the aftermath of any previous war.

Referring to his political opponents, the President said that he knew some suggested that this would have been so even if there had been a moron as President. But as President he proposed to take credit for the situation.

Mr. Truman described as "a new Marshall Aid" allocations by the House of Representatives as an international matter important to the whole world.

(These allocations have yet to gain Senate approval.) That was why Democratic Congress leaders had put Marshall Aid legislation ahead of civil rights laws on the Congress law-making programme, the President said.

Mr. McCarthy

The murder last Thursday of Charles Binagolo, Kansas City, political figure and one of his lieutenants, was discussed at the Press conference.

The crime problem in the United States is not confined to Kansas City but extends to such places as St. Louis and Washington. Mr. Truman said he agreed a Grand Jury investigation into the crime situation in Kansas City and has suggested one for St. Louis.

Asked about the statement of Senator Robert Taft, Republican, Ohio, that Mr. Truman labelled Senator Joseph McCarthy, Republican, Wisconsin, by calling him the Kremlin's biggest asset in the United States, the President retorted: "Do you think that it is possible to label Mr. McCarthy?"

The Senate has been investigating charges by Mr. McCarthy that the State Department is honeycombed with Communists. —Reuter and Associated Press.

KOREAN ADMIRAL HAS A THEORY

Long Beach, California, April 13.

If there are foreign submarines off California's coast they may be waiting for torpedoes. Three South Korean warships being outfitted here, a Korean Admiral said today.

Admiral W. Y. Sohn, who is supervising the reconditioning of the vessels, said that is why he cannot give their names. "They are bound to be waiting for torpedoes," he said, "for the purpose of intercepting us," he declared in an interview. —Associated Press.

LONDON TALKS ON JAPAN

London, April 13.

Britain and the Commonwealth countries will meet in London early next month to tackle the problem of forging an early peace treaty for Japan, Government sources said today.

The talks are due for May 1 or shortly thereafter, a Foreign Office spokesman said.

The conference was mapped at the Commonwealth Foreign Ministers' meeting in Colombo last January. Since then Foreign Office experts in Britain and the Commonwealth nations have been trying to piece together solutions to complicated problems.

Russia's attitude is the gravest consideration. The Russians, who entered the Far Eastern war only after the fall of Germany, have insisted that any peace treaty with Japan be drafted by the five members of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

Britain and the Western nations hold the view that all countries, while fought against Japan in the Far East, should have a say in the peace talks.

Australia and New Zealand particularly are insistent that they should sit at the table with the peace makers.

Foreign Office sources in London have indicated that Britain's final peace proposals will be much more moderate than at first anticipated. Her position has softened following the Communist successes in China and the Kremlin's growing interest in other South East Asia areas.

Britain realises, Foreign Office sources said, recently, that Japan cannot sit out there alone and starve. She must export to live, and a harsh peace with huge reparations would throttle her commercial life. —Associated Press.

Businessmen in Japan menaced

London, April 13.

Mr. J. H. Ewing, Chairman of the United Kingdom Chamber of Commerce in Japan, said today that the 55 per cent tax levy could compel British commercial concerns to leave Japan.

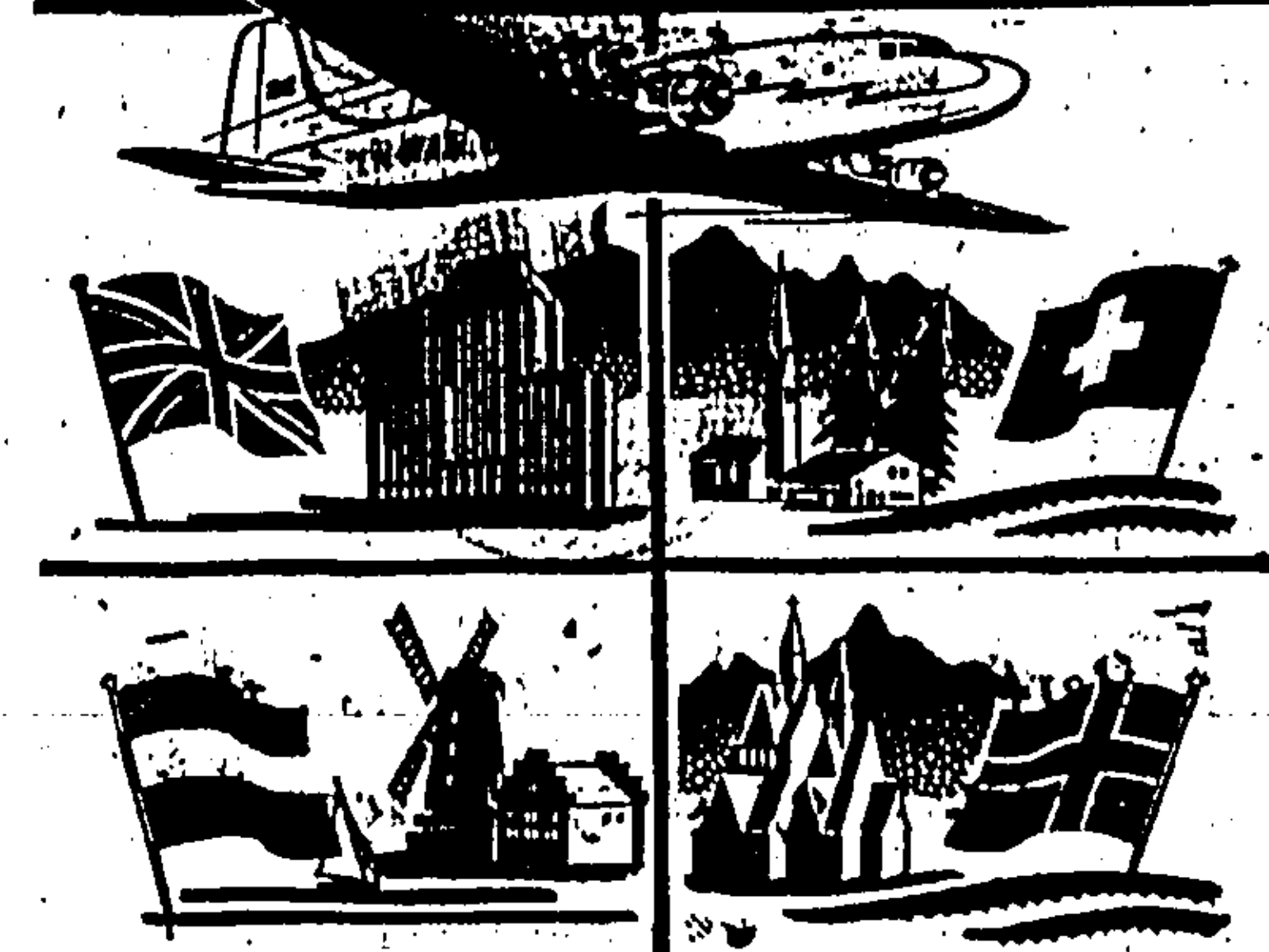
In a letter to "The Times," Mr. Ewing said the threatened tax means that British concerns are faced with overheads amounting to two and a half times the present figures. Even if a few such concerns were prepared to venture the almost certain losses, they are bound to result in the hope for better times, and, sooner or later, the existing stifling area regulations preclude the export of funds for such purpose.

"This new outburst of nationalism is a new development to those who look for an alleviation of world troubles and a greater exchange of goods and ideas."

"The withdrawal of British business men and commercial skill from Japan seems to be a likely disaster. Our protests have been met with the blunt statement that the Japanese Government intend that British concerns should employ Japanese staffs." —United Press.

Admiral Cecil Frederick Darby, who in 1945 was in the Navy from Midshipman to command of a Fleet, died yesterday at his home at Bishop's Walkham, Hampshire. He was 82. —Associated Press.

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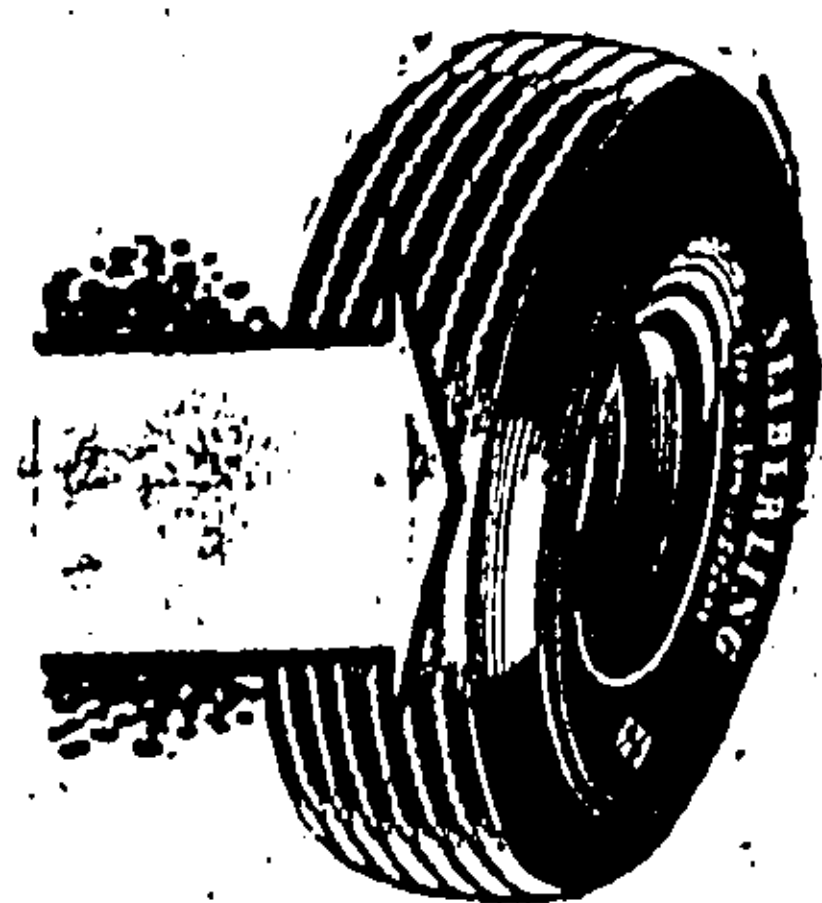
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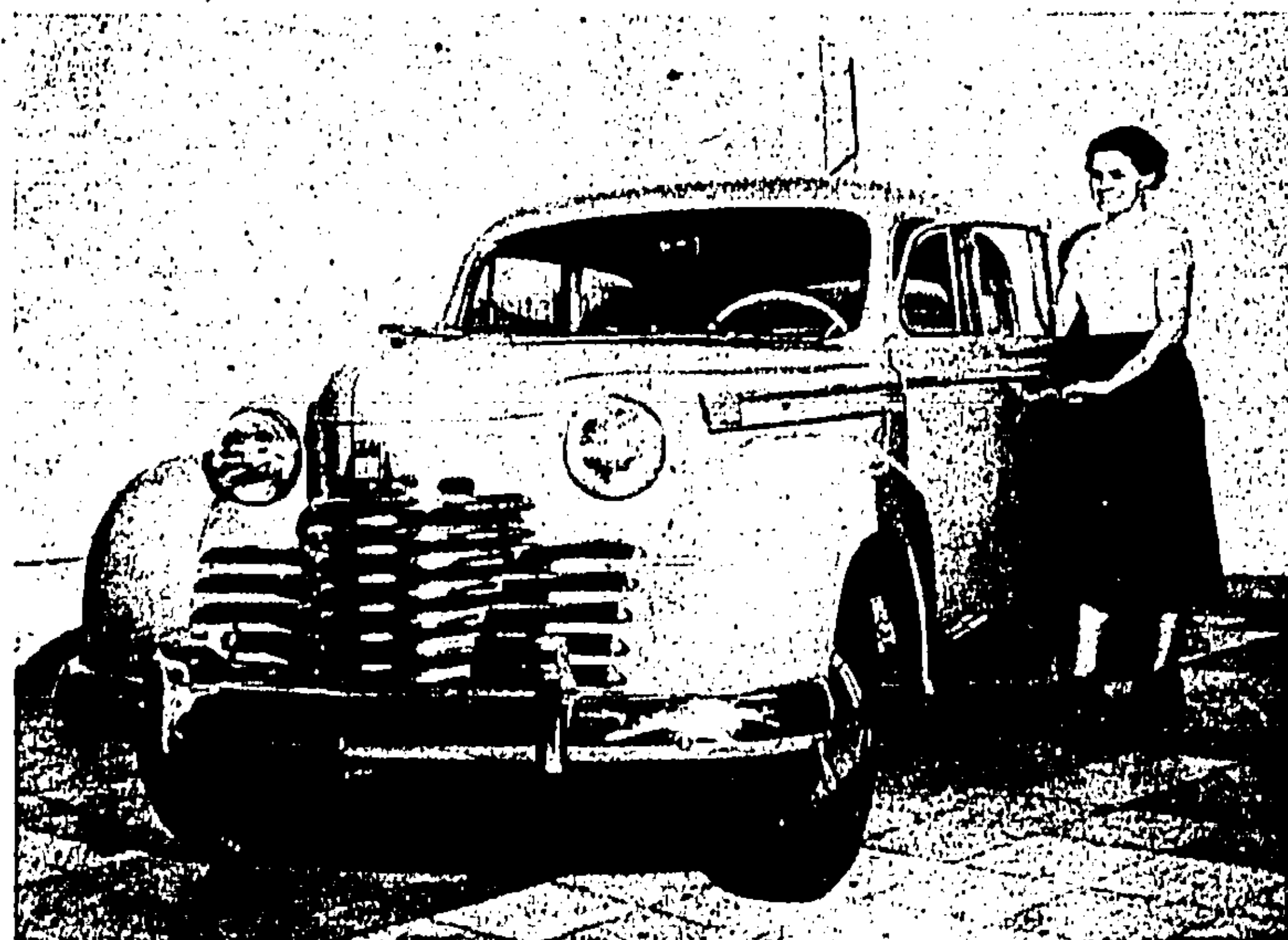
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MOTERING NEWS AND VIEWS

New German Olympia 1950



Here is a head-on view of the new Opel "Olympia 1950" shown to the public for the first time recently at the Opel Auto Plant at Rueselsheim, Germany. Main improvements on the previous model are that the gear change is now on the steering column, and that the car has three gears instead of four with the second and third gears fully synchronized. The body is of sleeker appearance, with American-styled fenders and stronger bumper. Of 37 horse-power, the car is said to have a top speed of 70 m.p.h., cruising speed of 65 m.p.h., and fuel consumption of 26 miles to the gallon. The sedan model sells for 6,785 Deutsche marks and the convertible for 6,950 Deutsche marks.—AP Photo.

ITALIAN RACING CARS

Rome, April 14.

Italy has opened her automobile racing season with four new midge speed cars—still under wraps.

They are tiny racers of the "Formula Three" class just approved last year for international competition.

Formula One and Two are the standard heavier racers—"Formula Three" is for midges weighing 200 kilos (440 pounds). Their motors, which cannot exceed 500 cubic centimetres cylinder displacement, have less power than an ordinary heavy type motorcycle.

Italy has cars like that; but they were never designed for racing. Fiat's Little Topolino (the Micker Mouse) has a 500-cc engine, but was not meant for speed competition. The Moretti factory put out a 450-cc model last year, but only had sample production.

Thus, for midge racing, Italy is entering the field with Fiat, France, Britain, Sweden and several other producers of tiny speedsters.

Italian racing circles regard the British Marwins and Coopers as excellent cars of this class. France's Deutsch-Bonnet also is highly regarded.

Italian speed car producers worked through last winter on the models they expect to enter. But so far little is known of their performance.

Count Lurani is believed to have completed a Nibbio 500 for the new class. And Turaschi has tested a new Urania 500. So far—no one knows what they will do in competition.—Associated Press.

Rotoflo shock absorber

Amongst the more notable post-war developments in shock absorber design has been the introduction of a new technique as represented by the Rotoflo, in which damping effect is obtained by the resistance to flow of a plastic filling in place of the more familiar friction or hydraulic means.

Recently, a new type of Rotoflo known as the G.I. has been introduced with the object of widening still further the scope of these shock absorbers.

This model is an addition to the range and does not supersede the original A type, which continues to be more suitable for certain purposes.

As before, the entire casing is filled under pressure with unvulcanised synthetic rubber (butadiene-styrene copolymer) to the technically minded—or just plain "Goo" to Rotoflo operatives) and the damping effect is obtained by arranging suitable means to key this filling to the fixed outer casing on the one hand and to the rotor on the other, so that, when the latter is moved by suspension deflections, displacement of the plastic rubber sets up the desired resistance.

In the new G.I. type, which is designed for the wider spaced mounting bolts common on post-war cars (with 3½ ins. between centres in place of the 2½ ins. of the A.I.), advantage has been taken of the extra space available to incorporate a bearing at each end of the rotor and to modify the damping characteristics in conformity with the soft suspension of post-war cars. This has been done by providing increased clearances between the rotor and the outer casing of the unit.

Maximum resistance

As will be appreciated, even unvulcanised rubber has some elasticity and this means that, initially, a small amount of undamped movement takes place, after which the resistance builds up rapidly to a maximum.

The G.I. type therefore provides that slightly greater amount of virtually free initial movement suited to the requirements of

softly sprung cars. In the A.I. on the other hand, damping commences practically instantaneously, as is necessary with the smaller deflections and higher periodicity characteristic of the old-style suspension.

A further point is that the G.I. is less sensitive to adjustment, which, as before, is effected by means of an adjusting screw in the rotor end, which increases or decreases the internal pressure.

This makes it less adaptable as a replacement unit for a wide variety of cars, but more suitable, by reason of its other characteristics, as original equipment for new cars or as a replacement unit in certain specific cases.

Advice on the most appropriate type for any particular car is obtainable from the makers, Universal Dampers, Ltd., Cranmore Boulevard, Shirley, Birmingham. The conversion of the old shock absorbers have been removed, normally takes less than half an hour, including broaching the main arm to fit the new rotor and rebushing the links.

GERMAN CAR PRODUCTION

Production of cars in Western Germany totalled 1,03,523 vehicles during 1949, a considerable improvement over the 1948 figure. Sales in 1949 totalled 159,332 vehicles.

Of the cars sold in 1949, 130,846 went to the German home market, 2,036 went to Berlin, six went to the Russian zone of Germany, 4,571 went to the Allied occupation authorities and 15,333 exported.

In 1948, production was 61,294 cars, all of which were sold. Sales included 51,797 to the home market, 405 to Berlin, 96 to the Russian zone, 4,654 to the occupation powers and 7,355 for export.

Prices generally dropped about six per cent. in 1949 as against 1948. The average passenger car cost about £450 in 1949 and the average commercial vehicle cost some £200.

It is impossible to compare post-war production figures with pre-war figures, since there are too many factors to be taken in-

HKAA issues new motorist handbook

The second post-war issue of the HKAA Handbook is just out from the printers and is now available for free distribution to all the 1,300 members of the Association.

This year's edition contains many innovations, improvements and additions and all those concerned with its publication are certainly to be congratulated on its general excellence.

The first innovation that the observant reader will strike the colour of the cover; in the past the Association's Handbook has always been issued with a cover printed black on red; for the first time this year the cover is in the well known A.A. colours, black on yellow.

Then the title which in the past was always "Handbook for Hong Kong Motorists" has now been changed to "Handbook of the Hong Kong Automobile Association," which is certainly a more precisely descriptive title.

On opening the book, the first innovation to appear is the inclusion of a very complete index and from that one can glean at a glance the valuable information to be found in the book which includes such things as an up-to-date list of Members of the HKAA, details of car parks in Hong Kong and Kowloon and the hours at which these are patrolled by HKAA patrols; details of car cleaning services, chauffeur services, car shipping services, vehicular ferry services, and a host of other details of the utmost

to consideration, including currency changes, raw material prices, war-time destruction of factories and increases in taxes. Figures on the profits of German car manufacturers are not available.

value to motorists in the Colony. Many local motorists would do well to make a careful study of the nine pages or so devoted to "The Highway Code" and to endeavour to put into practice the excellent recommendations contained in that code which is addressed not only to motorists, but also to pedestrians and cyclists.

Regulations

Some 40 pages are devoted to the "Vehicle and Traffic Regulations" and these also are of the utmost value as every motorist should have some knowledge of the Regulations governing the use of his vehicle.

A long "Travel" Section will prove of great value to any motorist contemplating taking a car abroad or ordering a car for home delivery. The United Kingdom and Australia are dealt with in detail in this section and many other countries including the U.S., South Africa, Canada, Denmark, Holland, Indonesia, Malaya, New Zealand and Slam have brief mentions which will prove useful to motoring visitors. Included in the Travel Section are also some useful notes on "Rule of the Road" in the various countries of the world showing in which countries one drives on the left and which on the right, details of the various documents required for taking cars overseas and very useful little section entitled "Do's and Don'ts when Travelling Abroad."

This year's edition, which has been increased from 150 pages to 170 pages, concludes with "Hints on Fuel Economy" some very appropriate notes originally intended for use in countries where petrol is rationed but equally useful to those who wish to keep their petrol costs down, and some further notes on "Care and Maintenance" which contain such valuable information as "What to do in case of Accidents," "Fire Prevention and Fire Extinguishing" and fire in motor cars is not as rare as you may think—the HKAA road patrols have already been responsible for extinguishing two fires in cars this year.

Valuable table

This most interesting book finally concludes on page 170 with a valuable table of the equivalent Metric Weights and Measures.

The map contained at the back of the Handbook is a great improvement over last year's and certainly very much more attractive but the Committee are aiming at still further improvements next year and hope eventually to produce really good maps of the Island and the Territories.

Although the Committee are very satisfied with the amelioration they have brought about in the Handbook this year, they are continually striving for still further improvements and they would welcome constructive criticism and suggestions for additions and improvements which could be incorporated in the next edition which it hopes to publish early in 1951.

Please send such suggestions to any Member of the Committee or to the Secretary, Messrs. P. H. Marwick & Mitchell & Co., Telephone House.

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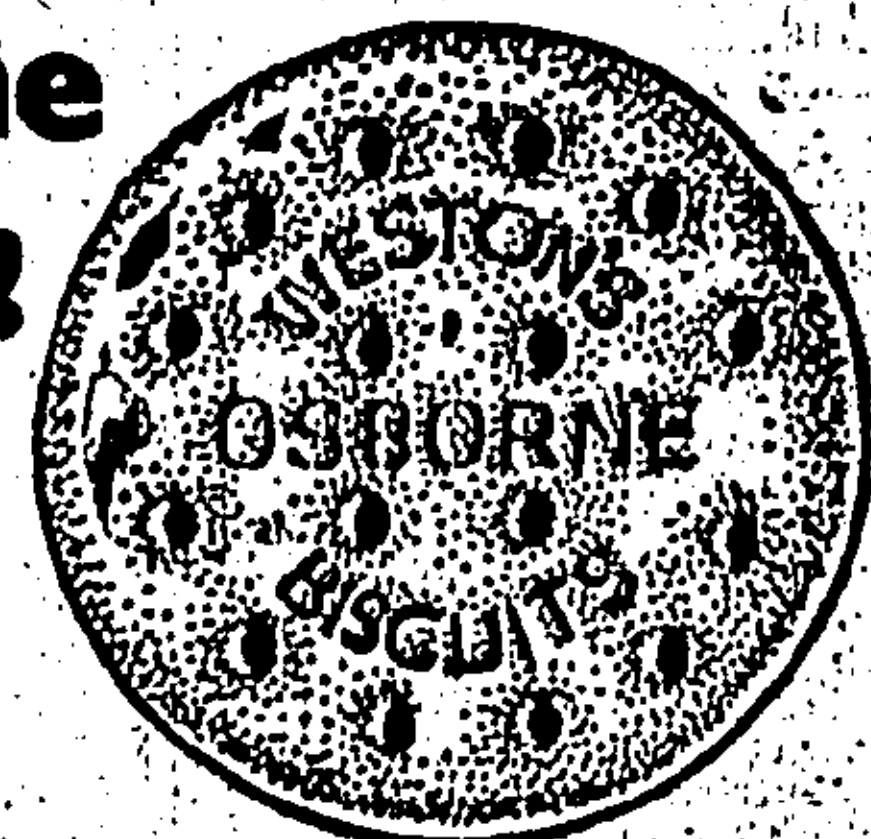


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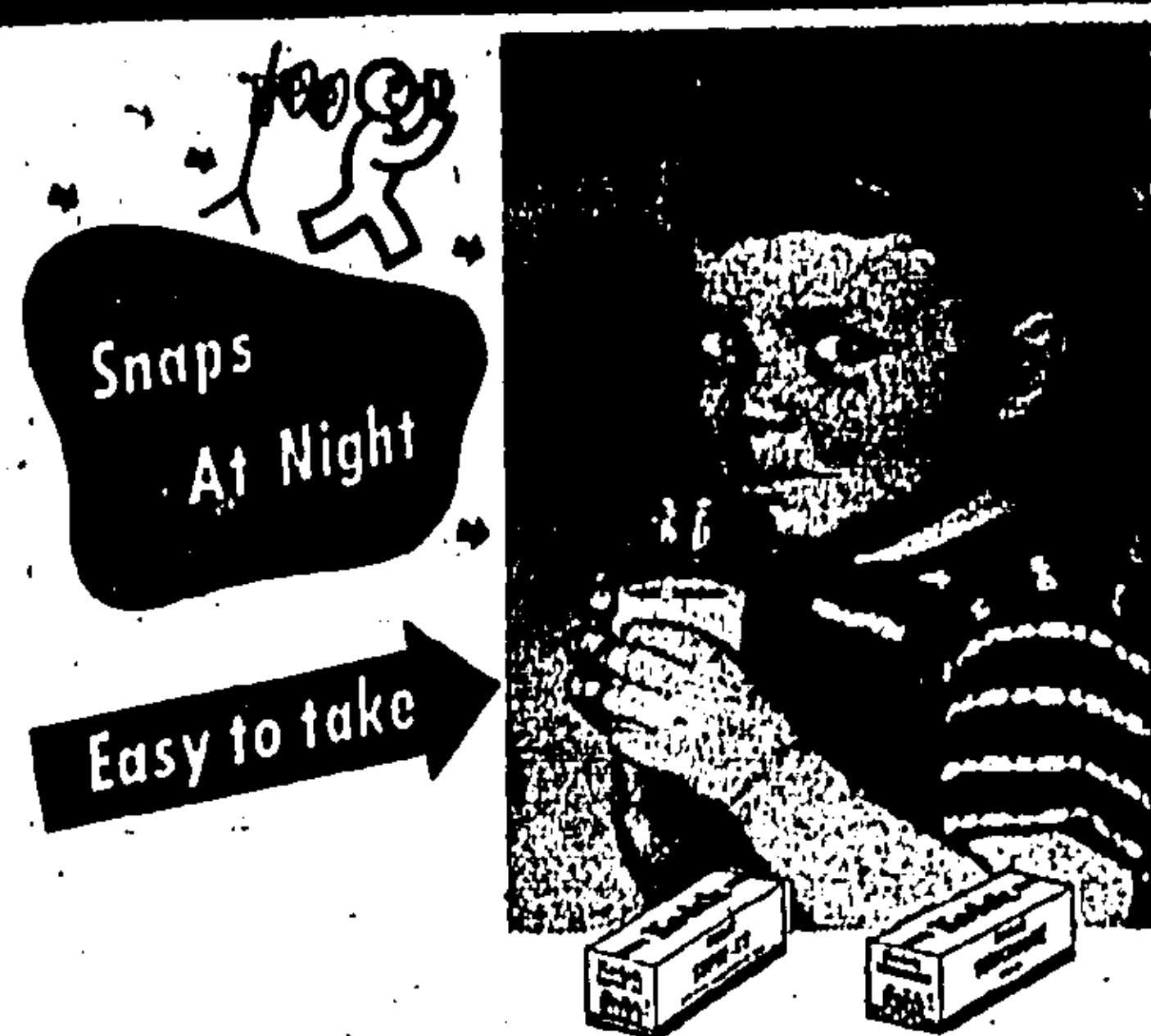
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Connally defends policy in China

Washington, April 13.

Senator Tom Connally (Democrat) said today that the Republicans committed base slander when they said the State Department had abandoned China to the Communists.

"It is not true. It is base slander and I resent it," said the chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee in a Senate speech.

Mr. Connally was moved to impassioned defence of the State Department by Senator Ralph Flanders (Republican) who, in proposing that the United States send food to Chinese famine areas, criticised the Department for "ditching the Kuomintang government."

Senator Connally said the Kuomintang government of Chiang Kai-shek fell because of corrupt influences. He added: "We did everything we could for China except send an army to China to take part in the civil war between two political groups of Chinese."

"If the Senator knows anything, he knows that we sent them \$2,000,000,000 in arms and munitions. We later found those arms and munitions in the hands of the Communists—not through us and not through the Senate Department, but through corrupt generals and corrupt Cabinet officers."

Senator Connally said that none of the Republicans in the Senate who recently criticised the State Department on its China policy had even raised their voices when the China policy was originally under consideration.

"Where was one of them who ever suggested to General Marshall a different course than he pursued?" he asked. (He referred to General Marshall's mission to China in 1947.)

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French smash offensive by Vietminh

Salgon, April 13.

French forces have smashed an attack by Communist-led Vietminh forces 120 miles South West of here at Soc Trang, a French communique said today.

The Vietminh attack began on April 6. The communique said it played a decisive role in defeating the rebels, who were not able to penetrate the city of Soc Trang.

Another communique, issued at Hanoi, said the French forces killed nine Vietminh partisans in three separate engagements yesterday between Hanoi and Haiphong.—United Press.

POLISH PRELATE IN ROME

Vatican City, April 13.

Adam Stefan Cardinal Sapieha, Archbishop of Krakow, arrived in Rome today—the first Polish Prelate to come to Rome in nearly two years.

The Cardinal's visit—his first since August, 1948—attracted attention in Vatican circles because of increasing difficulties of the Catholic Church in Poland.—Associated Press.

BULLITT PRODUCES 'STOP STALIN' PLAN

New Haven, Connecticut, April 13.

A nine-point American foreign policy programme, to wrest the offensive from Stalin, was outlined here today by Mr. William C. Bullitt, a former United States Ambassador in Moscow.

"There can be no peace on earth," he declared, "as long as the Russian people and the peoples of the Soviet satellite States are driven by men who prefer a murderous doctrine to the plain exigence of charity."

He added: "We are not technically at war but we shall have to live and work as if we were in order to stop Stalin."

This is Mr. Bullitt's programme, outlined to an audience of Yale students:

1. To build up the United States military strength faster than Stalin is increasing his.
2. To achieve the federation of Western Europe and give it adequate arms.
3. To stand up with force to the threat of the Communists in Eastern Germany, who have announced that on May 28 they will march 500,000 youths from East Berlin into West Berlin.

4. To increase United States aid to resistance forces in all Soviet satellite countries.

5. To help the Albanians to rescue Albania from the Communists and thus give new spirit to all the enslaved peoples behind the Iron Curtain.

6. To give adequate and effective economic aid to Persia.

7. To prevent the Communist conquest of Taiwan.

8. To help the Vietnamese and the French to throw the Communists out of Indo-China.

9. To insist that the United Nations, now paralysed by the Soviet veto and boycott, should function as if there were no Soviet boycott.

He criticised President Truman who, he said, had cut down defence expenditures to get more money for hand-outs for crop support, housing, education and other projects which appeal to voters.

"We cannot develop friendly relations with the Soviet Government as with a normal government because we face a clique of men who deliberately and consciously have declared themselves the enemies of all peoples who live in freedom."

"Stalin's objective is the conquest of the entire human race. He will not stop. He can only be stopped. We cannot get off this planet. We shall have to stop him or submit to his rule."

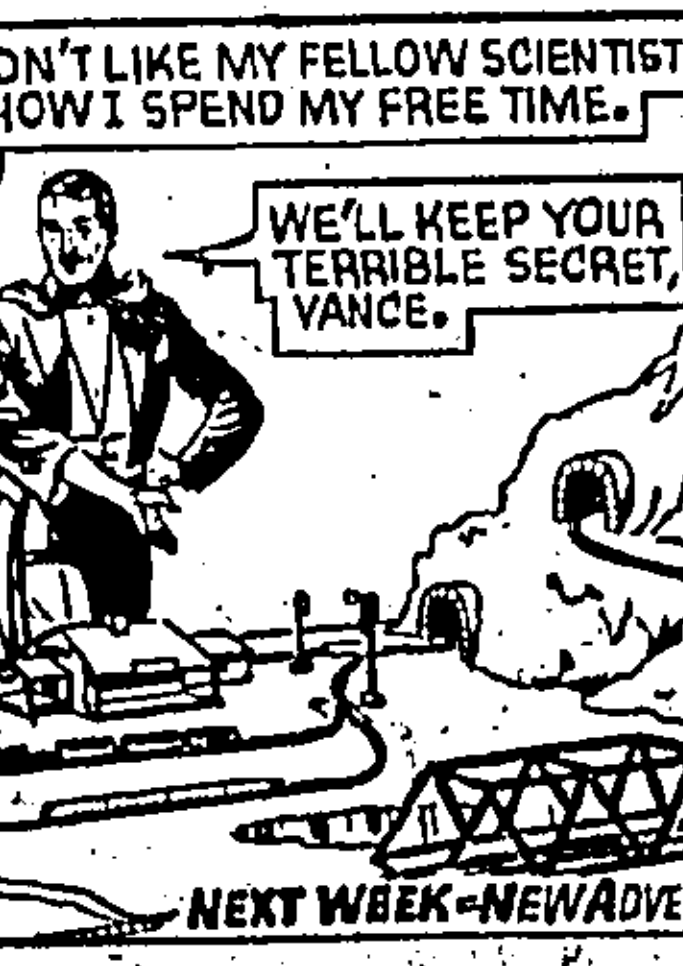
Mr. Bullitt also criticised the present U.S. State Department policy towards Russia, saying: "We have allowed Stalin to acquire such strength and to take over such resources, and strategic positions that nothing short of the full efforts of the American people will suffice to stop him."—Reuter.

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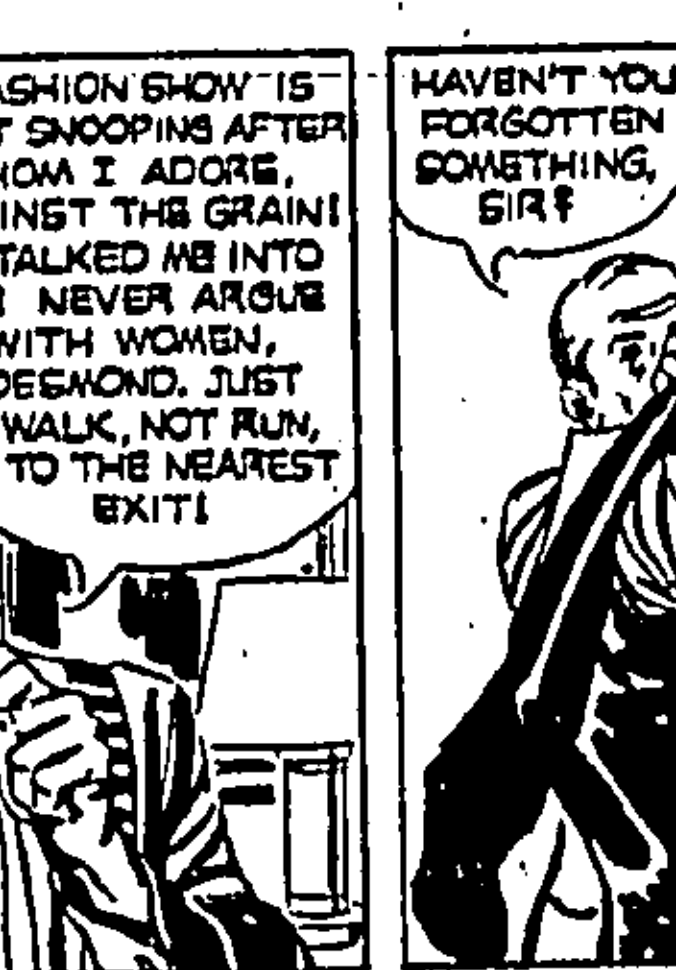
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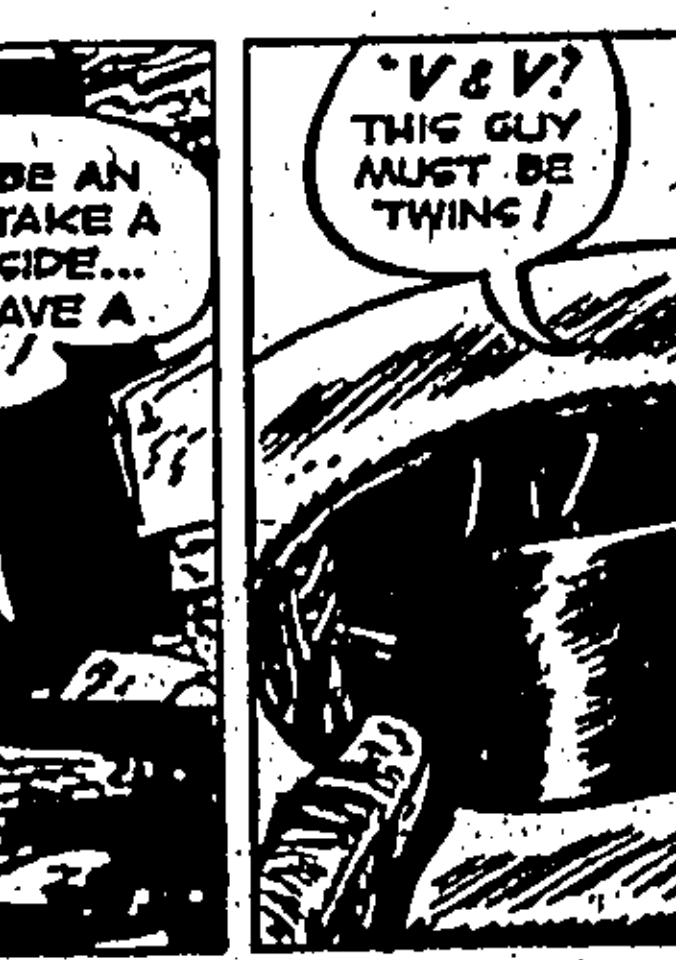
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THERE IS NOTHING SECRET IN H-BOMB

New York, April 13.

There is no hydrogen bomb "secret," any more than there was ever an American-held basic secret of the atom. Nor is it a secret to Generalissimo Stalin that the hydrogen bomb is a weapon particularly suited to destroying America's civilisation.

A hydrogen bomb, when and if one is built, may be able to demolish New York or Washington in a split second. The United States has many such targets, some within reach of a bomb-carrying submarine or freighter that could creep into a harbour and deposit its cargo.

The Soviet Union has but a few. Its industries are scattered and its major cities land-locked and well ringed by defences. These are some of the open secrets about the hydrogen bomb discussed in the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists.

When it comes to the H-bomb's basic scientific facts, the fact is there are no facts to hide. It is now common knowledge that scientists believe you can set off an explosion in some forms of hydrogen, using the explosion of an ordinary A-bomb as the trigger.

Rare hydrogen

In 1946 the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists received a copy of a book by a distinguished Austrian scientist named Professor Hans Thirring. It contained a whole chapter about the reactions on which a super-bomb might rely.

The Bulletin's editors refrained from printing this or other articles like it, for fear of giving the appearance that the United States was building this bomb.

Now they reprint Thirring's article, and they say: "These facts were familiar to nuclear scientists everywhere in the world even before the discovery of uranium fission." An H-bomb, we now learn by reading Thirring and others, would be made not from ordinary hydrogen but from a rarer "heavy hydrogen" called deuterium. The deuterium will be mixed, it seems likely, with a still rarer "heavy hydrogen" known as tritium.

People already know how to separate heavy hydrogen from ordinary hydrogen. In a standard and fairly inexpensive procedure, you can make small quantities of tritium by bombarding the element lithium with neutrons in an ordinary atomic pile.

Compact weapon

While you could theoretically use an infinite amount of hydrogen in this H-bomb, and therefore make a bomb 1,000 times more powerful than the A-bomb—in practice it might have to be far smaller, just for convenience. Dr. Louis Ridenour of Illinois University has observed: "To say the fusion bomb would be two, seven, 10, 100 or 1,000 times as devastating as the conventional fission bomb (the A-bomb) is to speak from ignorance. The effective size will depend upon the intentions and skill of its designers."

The possibility remains that the H-bomb might be more compact than one might otherwise expect. Then the higher the density, or compactness, of heavy hydrogen, the better the chances of an explosive reaction. You might compress and liquify hydrogen gas at extremely low temperatures, then, and have a lot of explosive in a transportable package.

If a bomb were 1,000 times more powerful than the Hiroshima A-bomb, it would cause almost complete destruction up to a 10-mile radius, and fatal flash burns up to 20 miles or more. Such a bomb could obliterate almost all of Greater New York, or Moscow, or London.

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of Messrs. Goddard & Douglas on April 18, 1950, at 10 a.m.

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Scientists today know the basic H-bomb theory, but cannot be sure until they try that it will work. Dr. Hans A. Bethe, one H-bomb architect, has predicted that completing it will take several years. Other estimates have been shorter.

Deadly neutrons

The H-bomb, if it works, could easily dwarf today's A-bomb in deadly radioactivity, just as in blast power. For the H-bomb reaction would eject millions of the penetrating particles called neutrons.

The neutron shower would turn some of the nitrogen in the air into carbon 14, a radioactive form of carbon that lasts thousands of years. This will be absorbed by plants and get into all forms of life.

The effect of human genetics could alter our genes and affect future generations—might be terrible.

It is true, Albert Einstein now says, that radioactive poisoning of the atmosphere, and hence annihilation of any life on earth, has been brought within the range of technical possibility.

In a broadcast by the University of Chicago round table last month, four important scientists raised the possibility of rigging an H-bomb to produce even more radioactivity than normal.

One, Dr. Leo Szilard of Chicago University, has explained: "If it becomes possible to detonate practically unlimited quantities of heavy hydrogen, then it automatically becomes possible to release very large quantities of radioactive substance in the air simply by incorporating into H-bombs, elements which become radioactive when they absorb neutrons."

Fantastic cost

Szilard raised the issue of national disaster—moving people and industries from fat, easy targets. He said that with the possibility of H-bombs rigged for radioactivity, mankind could reach a new day when the loser in a war will have the desperate option of inflicting death on the whole world.

One of his fellows said we must realise that the cost of building H-bombs, then, could be not only the cost of the bomb, but the fantastic cost of proper dispersal, which would protect cities from blast effects if not from radioactivity—and permit us at least more security than we would have otherwise.

David E. Lilienthal, former U.S. Atomic Energy Commission chairman, accused these four scientists of creating growing hopelessness and helplessness and arousing emotions that play into Communist hands.

"What we said we did not say to scare people, nor did we say it for lack of restraint," replied Szilard. "The reason for speaking up is rather this: neither the President nor the Atomic Energy Commission has explained the decision to develop hydrogen bombs will involve, what the meaning of the 'hydrogen bomb' is, or what the cost of the 'hydrogen bomb' is, or what the cost of the indispensable defence measures must be. Yet these are things the people must know."

It might very well be true that the people will decide

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke at 10 a.m. on April 20, 1950.

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Hong Kong, April 14, 1950.

against radioactivity, and that Congress will not vote funds for it," he added.

Betrayal of civilisation

"But if that happens, and the atomic arms race continues and the cold war goes on and on, there may be a price. It is the people who will pay the price, and it must be their decision to pay it, and they will have to discuss it before they will be able to decide."

Two of the round-table participants—Cornell's Dr. Bethe and Illinois University's Dr. Frederick Seitz—are among 12 physicists who have said the United States should build the H-bomb only if it pledges never to be the first to use it.

"We believe no nation has the right to use such a bomb, no matter how righteous its cause," they assert.

"This bomb is no longer a weapon of war, but a means of extermination of whole populations. Its use would be a betrayal of all standards of morality and of Christian civilisation itself."—Associated Press.

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BURMA CYCLONE

Rangoon, April 13.
The authorities today reported six dead and 100 injured in the aftermath of a cyclone which ravaged wide areas of Rangoon yesterday.—United Press.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

S.S. "BENLEDI"

With reference to the "Notice to Consignees" published on 17th, 18th & 19th March, the latest information regarding the fire on board this steamer is as follows:—

A week ago it was reported that on examination the after bulkhead of No. 1 lower hold was still heated. A hole was cut 6 inches square in this bulkhead and heating and some charred sugar was observed; the bulkhead was sealed again and CO2 injected.

From information supplied by the Admiralty it is understood that this particular bulkhead is no longer hot, but so far the hold has not been opened.

There is little likelihood of any substantial amount of proceeds being available after the Salvors have been satisfied.

The present position is that "Benledi" is at Malta in possession of the Admiralty who saved her after she had been abandoned by the crew on account of the severity of the fire.

The Admiralty as Salvors have been asking for security in Malta in respect of Salvage services rendered, but have been unable to obtain this.

This is not unexpected having regard to the amount of salvage likely to be awarded and the probable loss of the salvaged values in this case, also the impossibility of obtaining any definite information as to the present value of cargo in No. 1 hold.

The Admiralty have announced that they are considering commencing proceedings in rem in the Maltese Courts for the purpose of obtaining an order for sale of ship and cargo and for the purpose of an assessment of the amount of salvage due to them. If such proceedings are taken it is understood that any party interested would be entitled to make an appearance in these proceedings and cargo owners would probably be able to obtain possession of their goods as against provision of adequate security. It is not intended to enter an appearance on behalf of the vessel.

Should no interested parties enter an appearance it is to be expected that an order for sale of all the salvaged property will be made.

Consignees will no doubt wish to pass this information on to the underwriters insuring their cargo.

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"TJITALENGKA"	6th May	11th May

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SHIP	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
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"STRAAT MALAKKA"	In Port	6th May
"TEGELBERG"	13th May	1st June

JAPAN

SHIP	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	4th May	16th Apr.
"STRAAT SOENDA"	30th May	19th Apr.
"TEGELBERG"		15th May

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Floating fair to try to break the Iron Curtain

New York, April 13.

An ocean liner due to carry an American industrial fair around the world will try to penetrate the Iron Curtain to show the Russians how this half of the world produces, a cruise official said here.

Mr. Arthur Herts, president of Exhibition Ships, Inc., has received State Department approval of attempts to carry the floating exhibition to Russia and other Iron Curtain ports on the Black Sea during the planned year-long voyage.

"Of course, we do not know what the Russians are going to decide in the matter," Mr. Herts said, "but there is no harm in trying, anyway."

The fair, designed to stimulate United States foreign trade, is to leave New York some time this summer for a year-long voyage. It will be carried by a 20,000-ton ocean liner, the former President Taft, which has been renamed, as American Representative.

The Representative and a second ship, the Oriente, are being lent to the exhibition cruises. The Oriente will travel only to South American ports. Eventually there will be a third ship, Mr. Herts said, to ply the route to South Africa and Northern Europe.

The Representative will have 100,000 square feet of exhibition space, with room for 500 exhibits. There will be accommodation for approximately 250 passengers, most of whom will be connected with the fair.

The exhibits

Mr. Herts said items to be exhibited during week-long stops in each port include anchors, boiler equipment, cars for food, tractors, pipe, trucks, chromium dinette sets, power screw drivers, hospital equipment, bar stools, truck trailers, safety goggles, electric refrigerators, irons, washing machines, marine engines, spray guns for insecticides, plastic, cutting tools, radio, radar, television sets, motor cars.

The round-the-world itinerary will include ports in Portugal, Spain, France, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Palestine, Egypt, India, Burma, Java, Australia, the Philippines, China, Japan and Hawaii.

Dibek Sea ports Mr. Herts hopes to visit are Varna, Bulgaria; Constanza, in Rumania; and Odessa and Sevastopol, in Russia.—United Press.

Money Market

US dollars were firmer yesterday, opening at HK\$10.14, and closing at HK\$10.15.

TT was put through from HK\$6.17 1/2 to \$8.18.

Sterling was firmer at HK\$15.40.

Australian pounds were unchanged at HK\$12.50.

Plaster remained nominal at HK\$11 a 100.

Teals were unchanged at HK\$20.50 a 100, as were NEI Guilders at HK\$14.60 a 100.

LONDON STOCKS

London, April 13.

Gilt-edged bonds were buoyant in the stock market today while industrial shares were irregular. The exceptions were tobacco and brewery shares which were firm on the strength of expectations that taxes on tobacco and beer may be reduced in next week's budget. Among foreign securities, Japanese bonds rose up to a point.

Financial Times index 100.2.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN BRITAIN

London, April 13.

The number of unemployed in Britain dropped from 372,782 on February 15 to 347,283 on March 15, the Ministry of Labour announced today.

The report showed that only 17 per cent of the total working population was unemployed on March 15.—United Press.

REPORT ON JAP TRADE PROSPECTS

Tokyo, April 13.

A Japanese rayon mission, which returned this week from a tour of South East Asia, India, Pakistan, Egypt, and the Near East, declared that a heavy demand exists in these areas for rayon and staple fibres, the leading Japanese economic daily, "Nippon Keizai," reported today.

According to members of the mission, although South East Asian countries are in great need of rayon yarn and staple fibres, lack of import funds is hindering them from placing orders. In India also the mission found a strong demand for rayon yarn but satisfactory arrangements for settling accounts will have to be set up before exports can be increased.

Lack of cotton bolls, in India opens possibilities for the sale of staple fibre batting. Japanese technicians can show the Indians the process of mixing the two kinds of batting. A good market for rayon yarn exists in Egypt but since Egyptian duty of 40 per cent is levied on Japanese goods, it would be very difficult to make threads, the mission said.—Reuter.

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"BENGLUCH"	do	14th May
"BENNYVVIS"	do	14th May
"BENVORLICH"	do	27th May
"BENMACDHUI"	do	6th June
"BENALDER"	do	16th June

SAILINGS

SHIP	TO	DATE
"BENATOW"	London, Antwerp, Rotterdam, Hamburg	21st Apr.
"BENGLUCH"	do	18th May
"BENMACDHUI"	do	18th June
"BENNEVIS"	Genoa, Liverpool, Avonmouth, Le Havre, & Hamburg	8th Apr.
"BENNYVVIS"	Genoa, Avonmouth, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull	17th May
"BENARTY"	do	10th June
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